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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

INDONESIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (UKI)

Sunday Mass: 2:00 p.m.
(Second & Fourth Sundays of the Month)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday: 8:15 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment – Course Required

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements 12 months in advance
Marriage Course is required

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00-4:30 p.m.

MEDITATION GROUP

Meets in the Parish Hall Tuesday at 8:45 a.m.

PRAYER GROUP

Meets in the Griffin Room Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

FALL OFFICE HOURS

By appointment.

St. Anselm's School

182 Bessborough Drive
Toronto, Ontario M4G 4H5
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Mass for Intentions Week



Tuesday, September 12th, 8:15 a.m.

Jo Kostovcik

Requested by Mel Kostovcik

Wednesday, September 13th, 8:15 a.m.

John Innes

Requested by Joan Innes

Thursday, September 14th, 8:15 a.m.

Blas Buraglia

Requested by Ines Escallon and Family

Friday, September 15th, 8:15 a.m.

Nestor Ever Cifuentes Rodriguez

Requested by Iseult Hayden and Family

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLES – GROUP A

Group A casseroles will be collected NEXT **Saturday, September 16th** from 4-5pm in the church parking lot. Thank you to our parish casserole chefs for your continued commitment to feeding the hungry.

As the weather gets colder, the need for shelter and a warm meal will increase. If you'd like information on how you can feed TEN people at a time by preparing one casserole every other month, please contact the parish office or email yvonne.gray@bell.net.

The pan, lid and simple recipe are provided. You assemble, cook and freeze the casserole, and bring it to the church on the collection date. The casseroles are then delivered to the Good Shepherd Refuge and served to the hungry and needy in our city. It's that simple, and that impactful!



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD 11:00am

Children in the parish who are currently in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 1 are invited to join our volunteers for Children's Liturgy of the Word at the beginning of the 11:00 Mass. Registration is not required.

JOIN US NEXT WEEKEND FOR COFFEE SUNDAY!

All are welcome to join for a Coffee Sunday **after the 11:00am Mass on September 17th**. It is planned for the Millwood landing (or lobby in case of inclement weather). Thank you to Pablo for organizing and we hope to see you there!

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE UP COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 23-24

The truck will be in the church parking lot **September 23rd and 24th** to accept your gently used clothing, shoes and textiles. Please see the complete list of what can and cannot be accepted on the bulletin boards in the lobbies of the church.

FIRST CONFESSIONS *First Communion* **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION INFORMATION MEETING FOR PARENTS

Parents of children in Grade 2 (or older) who are interested in information about preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion are asked to attend a meeting on **Tuesday, September 26th at 7:00pm in the church.**

In accordance with the Archdiocese of Toronto, sacraments are the responsibility of one's home parish. ***This meeting is open to those who reside in the St. Anselm parish boundary and consider St. Anselm their home parish.***

You will receive information about our preparation process and will leave with a registration form. The completed form, along with a copy of your child's baptism certificate, must be returned by **October 10th**. More information will be provided at the meeting. In the meantime, please locate your child's baptism certificate or reach out to their church of Baptism to request a copy to save time.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION INFORMATION MEETING FOR CANDIDATES AND PARENTS

Youth in our parish who are in Grade 7 (or older) and their parents are invited to attend a meeting to hear about the preparation process for the sacrament of Confirmation. This meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 11th at 7:00pm in the church.**

In accordance with the Archdiocese of Toronto, sacraments are the responsibility of one's home parish. ***This meeting is open to those who reside in the St. Anselm parish boundary and consider St. Anselm their home parish.***

You will receive information about our preparation process and will leave with a registration form. The completed form, along with a copy of their baptism certificate, must be returned by **October 25th**.

More information will be provided at the meeting. In the meantime, please locate the child's baptism certificate or reach out to their church of Baptism to request a copy to save time.

We are grateful for your ongoing support of your parish. The offertory and building funds are crucial to daily operations and decreased dramatically during the summer months.

You can enrol in our parish pre-authorized giving (PAG) program or make a secure one-time or recurring donation online by visiting <https://stanselmsto.archtoronto.org> and clicking on "Donate" to support the parish offertory fund. Boxed donation envelopes are also available upon request. Thank you for your support.



Season of Creation (SoC) 2023 begins on Sept 01st - World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation - and continues until Oct.4th, the Feast Day of Saint Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology.

The theme selected for SoC 2023 is 'Let Justice and Peace Flow'. The symbol is a mighty river.

SoC 2023 calls us "to join the mighty river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by ecological injustice and loss of biodiversity."

<https://seasonofcreation.org/>

Think About It: A mighty river generates a powerful current. By adding our prayers, our voices, our advocacy, our calls for changes in behaviour, we are building a stronger current of HOPE. Hope inspires action inspires hope inspires action until that day when justice and peace shall flow.

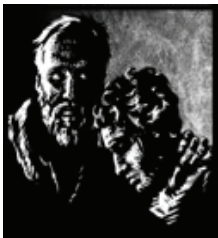
Ezek 33:7-9

Ps 95

Rom 13:8-10

Matt 18:15-20

**"O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord;
Harden not your hearts."**



If you saw your young child about to put his hand in a hot stove, wouldn't you move quickly to prevent him from being burned? If that same child got hold of your prescription medicine, you'd act just as quickly to prevent a terrible mishap. If a distracted friend was about to step into oncoming traffic, you'd grab her arm to

save her, wouldn't you? If, perhaps, a companion drank too much at a party, you would see to it that he did not drive. If your teenager was hanging out with friends who were known to be troublemakers, wouldn't you do something to remedy the situation? What if a friend or coworker was in an abusive relationship — wouldn't you try to help her in some way? There are countless other occasions when we see someone hurt or in danger or on the brink of a calamity and we, good friends and family members that we are, step up to help. If we can extend our care to others in all these instances of physical, emotional or psychological need, why are we reluctant to do the same with regard to sin? Today the sacred texts address this issue clearly

and frankly, affirming that we are to muster whatever gumption is necessary to meet this mutual responsibility.

Paul, in his letter to the Roman Christians (second reading), underscored the motivation for reaching out to one another with care: We owe it to one another to love each other. Because authentic love does no evil, love is willing to confront others with their failures — not solely for the sake of correction but with an eye to their conversion and ours as well. As an integral aspect of his own conversion to God, Ezekiel was called to serve his contemporaries as a sentinel or watchman. Like his prophetic colleagues, Ezekiel was to be so attuned to God's will and God's ways that he could mediate whatever God wished to be made known. God's message very frequently came in the form of a call to turn from evil so as to embrace the good. If he did not respond to God and made that call known, Ezekiel would be held culpable; if he fulfilled his ministry faithfully, then the onus of responsibility fell upon the recipients of his message to hear and to heed his words. In today's gospel, the Matthean Jesus is represented as offering a procedure for helping another to see the error and their ways and turn again to God. This procedure of brotherly and sisterly correction probably reflects the situation of the Matthean community of the eighties and was intended not to alienate or isolate the sinner but to encourage his/her conversion. In his reflection on mutual correction, Dietrich Bonhoeffer (*Life Together*, Harper and Row Pub., New York, NY: 1954) has described the willingness to admit one's sinfulness before God and others as a process of liberation marked by several breakthroughs. Those who will surrender to this process break through first of all to *community*. Whereas sin isolates one from the other, the admission of sin empowers a fellowship which mutually strengthens believers to resist sin together. Those who unite in admitting their sinfulness and in helping one another to resist sin will also break through to the *Cross*. On the Cross, Jesus suffered the scandalous, public execution of a criminal for our sakes. Our belonging to Jesus enables us to face the "dying" that comes with admitting our sins to one another and the even more difficult death of helping another to see and own his/her sinfulness. This breakthrough, though often painful, leads to a breakthrough to *new life*. When sin is called by its name and repented of, its dominion is broken and a new beginning becomes possible. Finally, honest admission of sin and mutual correction can enable the believer to break through to *certainty*. God gives us this certainty, explained Bonhoeffer, through our brother and/or sister. A person who admits his/her sin in the presence of another knows that he/she is no longer alone; he/she experiences God in the reality of the other person. Therefore, when Ezekiel or Paul, or the Matthean Jesus or any member of the community cares enough for us to help us to see and to overcome the power of sin in our lives, we are to be humble enough and truthful enough to accept this opportunity as the grace that it is. Then, together, we will be able to break through to community, to the cross, to new life and to the certainty of God's love.

For a spirit of listening, that God may free us from the noise that blocks our ability to hear the Word of God and respond to his call to discipleship... We pray...

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